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Application No.: 10/730,066	)	Group Art Unit	1761
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Filed: December 9, 2003	)	Confirmation No.	2940
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For: FRYERS WHICH DEACTIVATE	)		
BEFORE A LEVEL OF A COOKING	)		
MEDIUM FALLS BELOW A	)		
MINIMUM LEVEL, AND METHODS	)		
OF DEACTIVATING SUCH FRYERS	)		

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121

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Sir:

In response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. §1.121), mailed June 22, 2007, Applicants are submitting corrected amendments to the claims.<sup>1</sup> Because the non-compliant amendment was filed in a submission for a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, Applicants only are required to submit the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the above-captioned patent application in view of the following, corrected amendments and the previously-submitted remarks:

**Corrected Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Request for Reconsideration** begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 5 of this paper.

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<sup>1</sup> July 22, 2003, is a Sunday. The next business day for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") is Monday, July 23, 2007.